



Department of Conservation and Recreation
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DCR Announces Public Meetings for Forest Management Projects in Pittsfield State Forest, South River State Forest and Erving State Forest

The Department of Conservation and Recreation's (DCR) Bureau of Forestry will be hosting the following public meetings to discuss three forest management projects:

- Monday, February 23, 2015 - 6 pm - DCR Western Regional Headquarters, 740 South Street, Pittsfield, MA 01202. Two projects, one located at Pittsfield State Forest and one at South River State Forest will be presented.
- Thursday, February 26, 2015 – 6 PM – DCR Field Office, 40 Cold Storage Drive, Amherst, MA 01004. One project located at Erving State Forest will be presented.

The proposed projects at Pittsfield State Forest and South River primarily involve the management of northern hardwood forests typified by American beech, yellow birch, and sugar maple using uneven aged forestry techniques. The proposed project at Erving State Forest entails mostly the conversion of red pine plantations to native forest species using even age forestry techniques.

The website address to view the three proposals titled Potter Mountain, South River and Erving Red Pine is:

<http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/conservation/forestry-and-fire-control/proposed-forest-management-projects.html>

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